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The permanent secretary read a tabulated list covering the accessions of new members during the past year under the Columbus resolution waiving the entrance fee to members of affiliated societies.

The permanent secretary presented his financial report for the fiscal year, November 1, 1915, to October 31, 1916, which, on motion, was accepted and ordered printed in SCIENCE.

Through its secretary, the committee on grants made an informal report covering the recommendations of the committee for the disposal of the \$4,000 currently available, with the understanding that the full report will be published in an early issue of SCIENCE. Mr. Pickering, chairman of the above committee, stated that the committee favored the expenditure each year of the entire amount available.

A letter from the Pacific Division with regard to the activities of that division in connection with matters of preparedness policy on the Pacific coast, was read by the permanent secretary. On motion the permanent secretary was instructed to inform the Pacific Division of the appreciation of the council of the important work which that division is accomplishing.

At 5:20 P.M., the council adjourned.

L. O. HOWARD,  
*Permanent Secretary*

#### FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE PERMANENT SECRETARY

L. O. HOWARD, PERMANENT SECRETARY, IN  
ACCOUNT WITH THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
FOR THE ADVANCEMENT  
OF SCIENCE

FROM NOVEMBER 1, 1915, TO OCTOBER 31, 1916

*Dr.*

To balance from last account .....	\$4,616.04	
<i>To receipts from members:</i>		
Annual dues, 1916 .....	\$30,856.00	
Annual dues, 1917 .....	170.00	
Annual dues, previous years .....	320.00	
Admission fees .....	1,255.00	
Associate membership fees .....	12.00	
Life membership fees ....	1,000.00	\$33,613.00
<i>To other receipts:</i>		
Sale of publications ....	52.52	
Miscellaneous receipts, as follows:		

One (1) patron (\$50 previously paid for life membership ....	950.00	
Treasurer's payment towards subscriptions to SCIENCE for life members, two years—1914 and 1915 .....	793.89	
Interest on deposits, sale of programs, postage, refund from Columbus local committee.	442.47	\$2,238.88
		<u>\$40,467.92</u>

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<i>By publications:</i>		
Publishers SCIENCE .....	\$21,292.05	
Preliminary announcement, circulars, forms, etc. ....	854.87	\$22,146.92
<i>By expenses Columbus meeting:</i>		
To secretaries of sections, general secretary and secretary of council ...	666.78	
To badges, help and general expenses .....	272.68	939.46
<i>By expenses of Pacific Division:</i>		
To salary of assistant secretary .....	1,200.00	
To allowance for office expenses .....	600.00	
To allowance for extension of membership .....	521.55	\$2,321.55
<i>By expenses of Washington office:</i>		
To salary of permanent secretary .....	1,500.00	
To salary of assistant secretary .....	1,500.00	
To extra help .....	984.07	
To postage .....	1,288.67	
To office supplies, stamp affixer, etc. ....	170.74	
To expressage, telephone and telegrams .....	89.96	\$5,533.44
<i>By propagandist work:</i>		
To clerical assistance ...	1,265.07	
To postage .....	1,974.00	
To stationery and printing .....	1,693.05	\$4,932.12
<i>By miscellaneous disbursements:</i>		
To treasurer, transfer of Colburn bequest .....	750.00	
To refund of dues .....	8.00	\$758.00
		<u>\$36,631.49</u>
By balance to new account .....		\$3,836.43
		<u>\$40,467.92</u>

The foregoing account has been examined and found correct, the expenditures being supported by proper vouchers. The balance of \$3,836.43 is with the following Washington, D. C., banks:  
American National Bank of Washington ..... \$1,599.95  
American Security & Trust Company... 2,236.48  
\$3,836.43

WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
April 16, 1917

HERBERT A. GILL,  
*Auditor*